

House Resolution 1804

By: Representative Byrd of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing Lani Wong, chairperson of the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of
2 Chinese-Americans; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, business and cultural connections between China and Atlanta are due largely
4 to the efforts of Lani Wong; and

5 WHEREAS, for 27 years, Lani Wong has worked as a volunteer to move Atlanta closer to
6 the People's Republic of China in her capacity as chairperson of the Atlanta chapter of the
7 National Association of Chinese-Americans, and she serves as an unofficial conduit between
8 Atlanta business and government officials and their investment minded Chinese counterparts;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, she has been instrumental in helping Georgians seeking business opportunities
11 in China; and

12 WHEREAS, in Atlanta, Lani Wong translates, arranges banquets, and shepherds Chinese
13 officials around town, introducing them to Governor Perdue, Mayor Shirley Franklin, and
14 other dignitaries and business persons; and

15 WHEREAS, last March, Beijing recognized her business development expertise by inviting
16 Lani Wong, along with five other United States citizens, to a key political conference; and

17 WHEREAS, she continues to pursue the establishment of a close relationship between
18 Atlanta and China in civic, political, and educational matters; and

19 WHEREAS, she has been honored in Who's Who in Asian American Communities and by
20 the National Organization of Black Legislative Women for her contributions to her
21 profession and for her community service as part of the 2008 program, "A Salute to Georgia
22 Pioneer Women"; and

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body hereby recognize the special contributions and efforts of Lani
3 Wong, the chairperson of the Atlanta chapter of the National Association of
4 Chinese-Americans, to promote peace and grow commercial, cultural, and educational ties
5 between the United States and China.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lani Wong.